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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Lynn Kunzler, Reclamation Specialist 

RE: Site Inspection, Utah Building Stone, Inc., Dove Creek Quarry, S/003/016, Box Elder County, Utah

Date of Inspection: April 25, 1995
Time of Inspection: 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Conditions: Cloudy, windy, intermittent snow
Participants: Gordon Struthers, USFS; Dan Washington, BLM; and Lynn Kunzler, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: Inspect status of site conditions.

The annual report for this site, received February 28, 1995, indicated a total disturbed acreage of 2 acres. Upon arriving at the site it was evident that this acreage was incorrect. Three areas have obviously been disturbed by this operation (see sketch), for an estimated 12-15 acres of disturbance (including roads). In addition to the three quarry areas, a camp area was located to the east, a small prospect was located across the drainage to the south and another quarry (about 2-3 acres in size) was located near the top of the hill to the south. Mr. Struthers thought that it may belong to the Bown's, but was not sure (a UGS publication lists the Bown's as the operator and refers to it as the Gold Sheen Quarry). It was not located on USFS property. Mr. Struthers has a current (no more than two-years old) aerial photo of this site that he will send to the Division so that we can more accurately estimate the disturbed acreage.

Throughout this site there was many oil stains on the ground, including evidence of a recent oil change where the waste oil was dumped on the ground (along with the used oil filters). Several empty oil jugs and grease tubes were observed as well. The trackhoe used at this site had been nicknamed "old leaky" due to the large amount of oil it leaks during operation. Mr. Struthers has been after the Bown's to have this remedied for quite some time. It was suggested that the USFS take enforcement action by having the Bown's remove contaminated areas and haul the material to an approved disposal area.

This area needs to be permitted as a large mining operation. Photographs were taken of the area to document current conditions.

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